

COUNCIL PRIORITY 6-6

**CREATE A LEAD PREVENTION PROGRAM
FOR THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO**

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PROJECT:

Project Name: Create a Lead Prevention Program for the City of San Diego

Project Description: The Environmental Services Department (ESD) with the support of the Neighborhood Code Compliance Department (NCCD) and the San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) have developed Phase I of a City-wide Lead Safe Neighborhoods Program (LSNP). Phase I of the LSNP will be focusing on lead paint hazards although other sources of lead poisoning will be included in the education process.

CIP #:

Cross Reference:

Mayor's Goal: # 3, Create Neighborhoods We Can be Proud Of; #8, Make San Diego America's Safest City.

CURRENT LEAD AND SUPPORTING DEPARTMENTS:

Department: Environmental Services

Director: Richard Hays

Key Contact for more information: Chris Gonaver 573-1212

Supporting Departments: SD Housing Commission, Neighborhood Code Compliance

ACTION PLAN:

1. Is the project adequately defined? Phase I of the LSNP is adequately defined
2. Is policy direction needed? LSNP as identified in Manager's Report #02-057 dated March 13, 2002, was approved by City Council on April 30, 2002.
3. What will it cost? The cost of Phase I of the LSNP is approximately \$45,000 in personnel expense and \$5,000 in non-personnel expense. Portions of the LSNP, which are the Sherman Heights Community Lead Hazard Control Mini-Pilot and the Linda Vista Community Lead Outreach Pilot Program will cost approximately \$150,000.
4. Is it funded (Capital and Maintenance and Operations)? Only portions of the LSNP have been funded.
5. What is the source? Community Block Grant Funds, HUD Lead Outreach Grant, and CA Department of Health Services Enforcement Grant
6. Has it been designed? A plan for Phase I of the LSNP has been completed. Design portions of the LSNP involving the Linda Vista pilot program design component has been completed and is in the process of being implemented.
7. Has the community been involved? Community involvement is increasing steadily especially in the Linda Vista Pilot area. The Lead Poisoning Prevention Citizen's Advisory Taskforce that represents various community stakeholders meets on a quarterly basis and is chaired by Frye and Inzunza
8. Is it permitted? N/A
9. Is it under construction? N/A

TIME LINE:

Milestones:

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Continuing development of enforcement policy and procedures for lead hazards in substandard housing and where contractors are using improper work practices.

Working with the Lead Poison Prevention Citizen's Advisory Taskforce to complete the comprehensive lead ordinance. Committee has completed the draft and will present to full taskforce on March 25.

Use of media for increasing public awareness on lead hazards with radio interview with spanish speaking station on March 2, press conference on March 5, and PBS radio interview on March 18. LSNP will be featured as model program in national publication called Environmental Health and Safety Solutions

Advertising for Lead Inspector position for enforcement program

Grant applications submitted to US Conference of Mayors and Community Development Block Grant Funds

Continued implementation of the HUD education and outreach grant. First quarterly report provided to HUD showing benchmarks are been exceeded

Alan Johanns participated in CA Department of Health Services state-wide strategic planning effort to eliminate childhood lead poisoning.

Evaluation of existing codes and ordinances in relation to lead paint hazard was completed on December 31, 2001.

Communication link between City of San Diego and CLPPP for response to elevated blood lead (EBL) in children was completed on January 15, 2002.

First collaborative meeting with various agencies in the San Diego area working with lead poisoning and code enforcement was held on January 19, 2002 and is on-going meeting bi-monthly.

A Manager's Report has been completed and was presented on March 20, 2002 at Public Safety and Neighborhood Services (PS&NS) Committee. It was approved and forwarded to the full City Council for consideration. At the April 30, 2002 meeting, Council unanimously approved the LSNP.

Draft guidelines and enforcement policy on lead paint hazards has been completed. It was presented and approved by Council on April 30, 2002. The final guidelines and enforcement policy should be completed in July 2002.

The Lead Poison Prevention Citizen's Advisory Taskforce chaired by Frye and Inzunza held its first meeting on September 12, 2002 and meets quarterly.

Review of other agencies in California and around the country that have existing lead programs has been completed.

Lead hazard training performed for Development Services, Building Inspectors on 9/16/02

Lead hazard and lead enforcement policy training for NCCD staff was completed on 10/8/02. Additional training performed on 6/17/03.

Lead hazard training for landlords was held on October 16, 2002. Additional trainings will be conducted in 2003 based on demand.

Lead Safe Work Practices training for contractors was held on October 23, November 20, 2002, and March 11, 2003. Additional trainings will be conducted in 2003 based on demand.

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Lead hazard information phone line began operation in December 2002.

Portions of an education and outreach pilot project in an area of Linda Vista have been developed with implementation beginning in December 2002.

Four grants were submitted in the past 3 months to California Department of Housing and Community Development, Cities United for Science Progress, Lead-Safe....for Kids Sake, California Integrated Waste Management Board, and HUD Lead Outreach Grant Program for \$500,000. The City received notice that we were unsuccessful with the first two grants listed above and will receive results for the CIWMB and HUD grants in October 2003.

Lead Poison Prevention Citizens Advisory Taskforce has defined the "high risk" areas for lead poisoning within San Diego as 1) Areas with higher percentages of pre-60 housing, 2) higher density of children; 3) higher than average number of low-income present. A comprehensive lead ordinance framework was been developed and goal is to complete final ordinance by December 2003.

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Partnered with California Art Institute with 20 students designing a logo and slogan for LSNP. Class project will be completed in June 2003. Logo has been selected by the taskforce

Hiring process completed with Ted Tulle from City of San Francisco starting work as LSNP Coordinator August 23, 2003.

Presentation to all CA HUD Lead Hazard Control Grantees Agencies. LSNP is considered a model for other cities to follow.

San Diego Housing Commission has begun implementation of the \$1.9 million HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant in upper Council District 8.

The LSNP was granted, from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), nearly \$500,000 over a two-year period to develop a first of its kind Lead Outreach Grant that will serve as a nationwide model. The LSNP was one of six grantees chosen nationwide from a pool of over twenty applicants to develop a methodology to educate the general public, landlords, tenants, property owners, investors and the business community about the hazards associated with exposing children and adults to unsafe levels of lead-based paint. The LNSP partners include the University of San Diego, Bayside Community Center and La Maestra Family Clinic. The Outreach efforts will employ state-of-the-art technology developed by ESD's Information Technology Section to identify specific, targeted, areas for outreach and education activities. Contract was signed October 1, 2003 and grant partners have been meeting regularly and are expected to begin full implementation by January 5, 2004.

The LSNP will be the Regional Enforcement Coordinator for the State of California's Inter-Agency Compliance and Enforcement Program (IACEP) in San Diego County. The IACEP will coordinate training and enforcement activities for health, housing and code enforcement agencies to enforce a new

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law created by SB 460 making it a criminal act for property owners or contractors to create or harbor lead hazards. Contract negotiations are currently in process with contract expected to begin February 1, 2004. Contract amount is just under \$500,000 for a 3 year period.

Enforcement of lead hazards creating substandard housing and for contractors creating lead hazards through disturbance of lead paint began October 1, 2003. LSNP has been receiving 2 – 3 complaints per week. The majority are related to substandard housing complaints vs. contractors creating lead hazards.

In October, Alan Johanns was an invited speaker at the EPA Tri-Regional Lead Conference held in Portland, Oregon where he was asked to present the LSNP model to EPA staff from EPA region 1, 8, 9, & 10 along with 14 state lead health departments.

Activity Description	Early Start	Early Finish	03	2004												2005												2006									
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